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SUBJECT: ARAB AID TO LEBANON

REFJI (A) STATE 072763, (B) KUWAIT 1632, (C) KUWAIT 1616.

1. REFTEL B CONTAINS FEEDBACK ON ARAB "SUMMIT" ON AID TO LEBANON FROM PRIME KUWAITI SOURCE ON SUBJECT, KUWAIT FUND FOR ARAB ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT (KFAED) DIRECTOR GENERAL ABDUL-LATIF AL-HAMAD, WHO ATTENDED CONFERENCE AS KUWAIT'S REPRESENTATIVE.

2. SINCE TIME OF ABOVE REPORT, KUWAIT COUNCIL OF MINISTERS HAS APPROVED 30 MILLION LL "LOAN" TO LEBANON, AS AL-HAMAD PREDICTED (PARA 4 REF B). WE UNDERSTAND FROM FUND OFFICIALS THAT KUWAIT FUND THINKING ON ASSISTANCE TO LEBANON IS FOCUSING ON INFRASTRUCTURE, ESPECIALLY ON HOUSING, BUT IS IN VERY PRELIMINARY STAGE. FINANCE MINISTRY UNDER-SECRETARY ALI KHALIFA TOLD US APRIL 4 THAT KUWAIT PLANS
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TO MEET REGULARLY, BUT INFORMALLY WITH OTHER ARAB DONORS TO COORDINATE ASSISTANCE PLANS FOR LEBANON, BUT WOULD TRY TO AVOID FORMAL COMMITMENTS ON FUTURE LEVELS OF AID TO LEBANON.

3. KUWAIT FUND OFFICIAL WHOM WE ARE TOLD WILL BE MOST DIRECTLY INVOLVED IN PLANNING ASSISTANCE FOR LEBANON

LEAVING KUWAIT APRIL 7 ON THREE WEEK TRIP ABROAD. IN
MEANTIME THOSE INTERESTED IN ASSISTANCE TO LEBANON
MIGHT WISH TO TRY TO CONTACT KFAED'S DIRECTOR OF FINANCE
ABDULMOHSEN YOUSSEF AL-HUNAIF, WHO SHOULD BE NOW IN
WASHINGTON MEETING WITH IMF ON AID TO LEBANON (REF C).

4. KEY ARAB FUND FOR ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT (AFESD)
OFFICIALS ARE TIED UP WITH LONG-PLANNED SEMINAR THROUGH
APRIL 7. PREVIOUS REPORTING FROM OTHER SOURCE INDICATED
THAT AFESD WAS TOLD BY GOK TO GO SLOW ON AID TO LEBANON.
WE WILL REPORT FURTHER SHOULD AFESD NOW BE TAKING MORE
ACTIVE ROLE IN THIS REGARD.
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